

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4104
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UNEMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE TO DISABLED
M. JAGANNATH

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide unemployment allowance to disabled persons in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI S. B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Right and Full Participation) Act, 1995 provides for framing of a scheme by the appropriate Government, within the limits of their economic capacity and development, for payment of an unemployment allowance to persons with disabilities registered with the Special Employment Exchange for more than two years and who could not be placed in any gainful occupation. As per information available, 12 State Governments are providing unemployment allowance ranging from Rs.50/- p.m. to Rs.250/- p.m. to the persons with disabilities. Action in this area is to be taken by the concerned State Governments.